

## HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

The Governing Board recognizes that the daily operations of our schools entail the use of many potentially hazardous substances.

The Superintendent or designee shall insure that hazardous substances are inventoried, used, stored and regularly disposed of in a safe and legal manner.

Teachers shall instruct students as to the importance of proper handling, storage, disposal and protection with regard to all potentially hazardous substances.

*(cf. 6161.3 - Toxic Art Supplies)*

Insofar as possible, the Superintendent or designee shall minimize the quantities of hazardous substances stored on school property. The Board encourages staff to substitute less dangerous materials for hazardous ones whenever feasible.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the schools are regularly inspected to identify potential sources of risk. When new environmental risks are discovered, the Superintendent or designee shall inform the Board and the community.

### Hazard Communication Program

To ensure that employees are fully informed about the properties and potential hazards of substances to which they may be exposed, the Superintendent or designee shall develop, implement and monitor a written hazard communication program in accordance with state law.

#### *Legal Reference:*

##### EDUCATION CODE

49341 *Legislative findings*

49401.5 *Legislative intent; consultation services*

49411 *Chemical listing; compounds used in school programs; determination of shelf life; disposal*

##### HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

25163 *Registration; exemptions; inspection (re transportation of hazardous wastes)*

25500-25520 *Hazardous materials; release response plans; inventory*

##### LABOR CODE

6360-6363 *Hazardous Substances Information and Training Act*

##### CODE OF REGULATIONS, Title 8

5194 *Hazard Communication*